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Forensics team takes 1st at state

Student receives top honor; awaits national competition

> **VANESSA SKAGGS** MISSOURIAN STAFF

Three years of hard work and dedication finally paid off last weekend when Northwest's speech team brought home the state champion-

ship trophy. The state competition took place at Webster University in St. Louis where the Northwest team won 24 individual awards.

Included in these awards were six first place standings: Marc Vasquez, Dramatic Interpreta-

tion and Poetry; Annie

Chromy and Jim

Ulvestad, Duet Inter-

pretation; Shawn

Bechtol, Prose Read-

ing; and Darian

Galyon, Informative

Marc Vasquez was

Northwest then

also named Miss-

defeated Southwest

Baptist University

with a total team score

of 223 to 221, win-

ning overall and be-

coming state champi-

ons for the first time

and ending a streak by

contributed points to

the team's success and

Jeff Pryzbylo, di-

overall win.

All 14 members

Southwest Baptist.

ouri's top speaker.

Speaking.

State winners:

1st Place

- Northwest overall
- Marc Vasquez (dramatic interpretation, poetry)
- Annie Cromy and Jim Ulvestad
- (duet interpretation) Shawn Bechtol
- (prose reading)
- Darian Galyon (informative speaking)
- Northwest also had
- 24 individual winners
- Marc Vasquez named Missouri's top speaker

come a vision.

rector of forensics, said the students reacted excitedly.

"These kids wanted to win so bad," Pryzbylo said. "Had they not won, they would have been

very upset." Even after some people said they could not win, the team went to St. Louis with something that had become bigger than a goal-it had be-

"They knew what they wanted and did what they needed to do to win." Pryzbylo said.

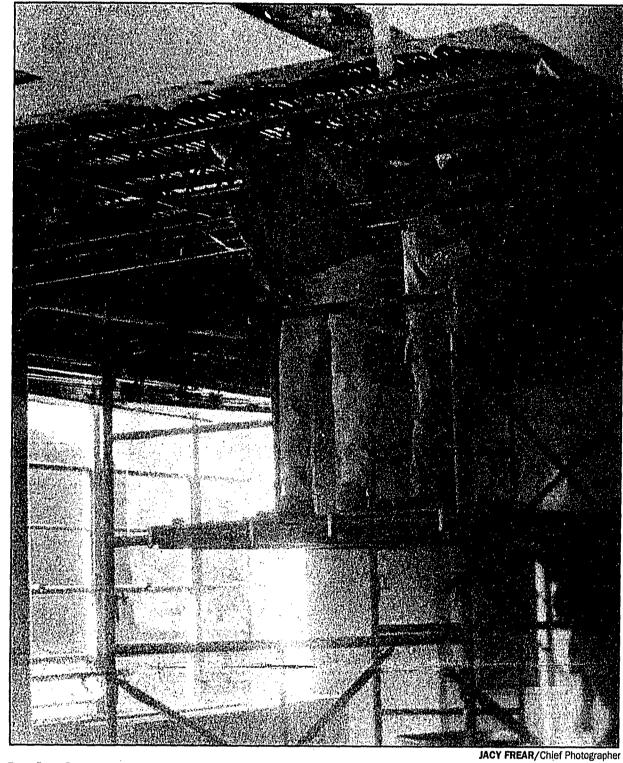
The next step for the speech team is nation-

als at Gainesville, Fla., in April.

Pryzbylo expects the team to perform well at nationals, and they hope to be in the top 10 of the nation.

Pryzbylo is assisted in coaching by John Nash and Tom Hendricks.

Under demolition



the ceiling piece by piece Tuesday afternoon in sec-

Coming down. Members of CD construction remove ond floor Colden Hall. The demolition team is gutting out most of the huilding as part of the r

Colden Hall boasts its own charm



COLLEEN COOKE COPY DIRECTOR

If it seems the renovations on campus may never end, you're not far off --- Northwest has been constantly reinventing its buildings, and the work on Colden Hall is the latest phase.

Although the Administration Building may be Colden Hall's older sister and the grand dame of Northwest, Colden certainly is a quirky younger sister.

Although she boasts no glorious towers or quotations, Colden has a charm all her own. Her two flights of stairs have the steepest steps that leave students wheezing. It's the only building where you have to go up (a ramp) to go down (the stairs). And one of these days that squirrel who powers the elevator is

going to retire. (Not to worry -many others can take its place.)

Beyond that, Colden Hall has the oddest shape. Most of the buildings are square-shaped, some with variations of that.

Colden Hall is a boomerang. It's not easy to tell which direction you are facing once you're in a classroom on the

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Workers begin to tear out insides of Colden and Administration buildings; construction awaits

> **KAREN A. GATES** CAMPUS NEWS EDITOR

Watch out for the bolts sticking out of the floor.

What once used to be a classroom now has no desks or ceiling tiles and is filled with dust.

Soon the room 201 lecture hall where students sat out long history classes will be no more than a staircase.

Changes are taking place all over the world, but perhaps one of the biggest that Northwest students and faculty will see will be the ones to Colden Hall. Bolts, dust and ripped-out ceiling tiles is where it all begins.

The first part of the renovations is now underway for the first and second floors of Colden Hall. This includes demolition, which is taking out desks, offices, ceiling tiles and basic demolishing to start again. The contracted demolition to the second floor of the Administration building will begin today.

"We're waiting

with the

construction to

see if we can

build all of the

buildings at

once."

Randy Sharp

Project Manager

Randy Sharp, project manager for CPMI construction management, said so far there have not been any major problems with the demolition that they have not been able to overcome.

Construction workers are tearing the ceiling, concrete and desks out of the first and second floors. Scraps and pipes are being stored in the old lecture hall room 201 until they can be hauled away.

There is also a slide shoot in the back of 201 to dump materials such as scraps and pipes into a trash bin. Sharp said in a couple of weeks all the

walls on the second floor will be gone. The walls on the first floor will be demolished around the first of April.

The new Colden Hall will have a stairway in place of the lecture halls and offices and new windows on the second floor. Sharp said the windows, which will be throughout the building in addition to the second floor, will be more energy efficient and nicer looking.

A new lounge can also be expected. The old lounge is currently the home of equipment, storage and a setup area.

The elevator in Colden, as of now, does not have any plans to be renovated.

The second floor of the Administration building will also change. All deans' offices and a large conference room will be placed on the west wing while other offices will be on the east wing. Both of the wings will have a circular-shaped reception area.

After the demolition of Colden, Sharp said rebuilding is expected to begin in early summer. Rebuilding in the Administration building will begin in early April.

"A group of contractors will come in and start to renovate the building. That will mean putting in all new heat-

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Weekend accident kills local man

COLIN MCDONOUGH

CHIEF REPORTER

A Maryville man was killed Saturday when the car he was riding in collided head-on with a pickup truck.

Darren Prehn, 29, died from injuries sustained in the accident, which occurred on Highway 46, two miles west of Maryville.

Prehn was riding with two other occupants, Jerry Ford, 23, and Traci Whited, 23, both from Maryville.

According to Missouri State Highway Patrol reports, Whited was driving a 1979 Ford westbound and passed a car that yielded to an eastbound 1989 Chevrolet truck.

The truck was driven by Bryan Brown, 53, of Pickering. The Whited vehicle tried to cross the one-lane bridge but collided with the other vehicle.

Ford and Whited received serious injuries and were transported to St. Francis Hospital. Both Ford and Whited were transported to Heartland East Hospital in St. Joseph.

Ford was released from the hospital Sunday but would not comment on the condition of Whited.

Brown sustained minor injuries and was taken to St. Francis Hospital, treated and released.

Summons are pending.



GENE CASSELL/Campus Sports Editor

Members of the Missouri Highway Patrol survey the Darren Prehn, 29, of Marville. Prehn was a passenger area on Highway 46 after a two-car collision that oc- in a car driven by Traci Whited that attempted to pass curred Saturday afternoon resulting in the death of a car that was yielding to a truck driven by Bryan Brown.

Pipes' damage cost thousands for repairs

TATE SINCLAIR CHIEF REPORTER

Northwest officials are just now realizing how much damage the cold caused in early February.

The extreme weather caused water lines to break in the Student Union Feb. 4, causing damage which, until this week, was at an unknown monetary value.

Kent Porterfield, assistant dean of students, initially said damages may go over \$10,000, and now it seems he was right.

Porterfield released a list of initial property damages this week.

Included in the list was \$7,090 worth of damages, plus four other damage sites that have not yet been estimated. "These are still unofficial numbers,"

Porterfield said. "The price tends to increase on these jobs as they progress, so we won't know what the official total is until further along in the project." Porterfield said the list of secondary dam-

ages, includes areas which are not currently causing problems, but could in the near fu-

"We really won't know how bad this damage is until the temperature changes," he said. "The changes in temperature tend to cause these things to become problem areas."

Primary List

of Damages: Water damage to 8" folding

(est. \$150) Hallway in front of games rooms has floor tile damage (est. \$1,210)

 Dance floor in Spanish Den (est. \$1,820) Loss of food products and other Campus Dining items

(est. \$110) 2nd floor-Ceiling tile in hallway

(est. unknown) Dean of Students office needs ceiling tile replaced entire ceiling will have to be replaced (est. unknown) · Sound system suffered water

damage (est. \$3,000) 3rd floor-

•Residential Life Office carpets (est. \$1,800) Ballroom Lounge carpet (est. unknown)

 Mechanical room floor damaged

OurView

Negative campaigning hurts process, voters

eral.

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Rivals say Dole is desperate and lacks passionate convictions. They say Forbes is out of touch and he incessantly slings mud at his counterparts. Buchanan is ego-maniacal and too radical. Alexander boasts political evasiveness, but is actually a Washington insider.

It's 1996 and here we go for yet another round of presidential mudsling-

Toto, we don't think we're in Kansas anymore.

This constant, harsh and obsessive

mudslinging among these candidates defines not just this presidential campaign, but much of what leaves a bitter political taste in the mouths of most Americans - and this presidential year is definitely no exception.

CNN ran a take on Lamar Alexander waving his knee-high mud boots in wake of recent negative ads.

Yet even though his campaign funds have faltered this year, he was the first in the field to use negative ads against Pete Wilson last summer.

Instead of an organized, honest delivery of how he will combat the issues on America's front-burner, Bob Dole

thinks he can stand out from the pack who could not only speak openly and by running anti-Buchanan and anti-Alexander ads.

It seems all Steve Forbes is running on is his out-of-touch millionaire attitude and the weaknesses of his Republican counterparts.

And Pat Buchanan ... enough said. We've got news for these mudslingers: It's time to move on.

new en route to the White House, but country we once knew," they say. it seems as if in 1996 it has entered an arena all its own — an arena in which candidates blast one another, pocketing the key issues Maryville and Northwest are interested in.

Voters, young and old alike, do not enjoy hearing these negative and redundant comments made year after year; instead, they seek a candidate who takes his/her campaigning as a time to show the world what they honestly stand for — what they really plan to do and why.

who cannot sift through this ocean of mud?

What Maryville wants is a president who is an honest leader. Someone who knows the value of hard, Midwestern work ethics.

Someone who is in touch with the issues on the forefront of our minds:

- Overhauling welfare
- Streamlining medicare
- Enhancing education programs Aiding small business owners
- Recruting new industry
- Beefing up farming opportunities

What students, the future leaders of our country, want is a president who will help ensure and stabilize their college years, careers and lives in gen-

International questions arise con-

cerning major corporations leaving their home country in search of cheaper labor and production costs.

Yearly debates over the national debt make many wonder if a solution is possible, and, if so, how is it going to be brought about?

Will the U.S. remain global buddies, helping everyone out while its own citizens struggle to survive day to day?

Or what about:



- prayer in schools
- student loans
- affirmative action · a balanced budget
- taxes?

We could go on.

Wouldn't a candidate honestly about such issues, but who would also stick to their guns once they entered the Oval Office, be more attractive than our current mudslinging enthusiasts?

All they are doing is standing flat on their feet and aiming the mud pies. They master the same lines of jargon, but give it a different emphasis each Negative campaigning may not be day: "We can make America the great

Bullarkey.

Show us your stances on the issues we're concerned with — sans the mudpies — and we'll show you our

However, we can't stop here, voters. We must pull together to let these politicians and others know that we don't support these kinds of tactics.

It's easy to comment how horrible the campainging is, but then lean in closer to hear the latest.

We, as citizens, must stop aiding Do the candidates think we're idiots these politicians and refuse to keep distributing the malicious words they

> We must take pride in our country and elect those officials who stand for what we believe is right, not for what they say is wrong.

Northwest Missourian

Christy Spagna

THE MANY FACES OF BOB DOLE

Purpose Politics

Conference shows party's momentum

To best describe it, it felt as though the rising tide of conservatism released two years ago with strong momentum had not reached its crest yet.

Metaphorically speaking, this was the general feeling I got as I made my way through the 97th annual Lincoln State Days for the Missouri Association of Republicans, which took place in Springfield last weekend.

Republican candidates for various state offices were present and giving optimistic outlooks to residents with questions.

Sen. John Ashcroft was scooping ice cream for any hungry person and even Republican presidential hopeful Alan Keyes delivered words of encouragement and hope to a packed room of listeners.

I distinctly remember talking with Debbie Wheelehan, a candidate who had decided to run for Congress against Richard Gephardt, the minority leader in the House from Missouri's third district.

As I sat and listened to her explain her enthuasiastic reasons for why she wanted to be elected to Congress, I felt a certain energy and strength that was still left over



HAWKEYE WILSON

In challenging incumbent Democrats, Republicans exhibit spirit of 1994

from the 1994 congressional elections. For if 1994 was truly a turning and

monumental event, here was the evidence. Challenging Democratic incumbents, Republicans are out in droves with a new sense of mission and with a progressive and optimistic message for voters.

Wheelehan spoke about her willingness and ability to defeat Gephardt.

The congressman has already raised

more than \$1.8 million for his re-election, most of it coming from special interests outside his district. He has also had an ethics charge filed against him, with allegations including violating either government ethics standards or federal tax and banking regulations.

Gephardt is the epitome of voters' disgust in elected officials. First elected in 1976, Gephardt has honed into the big money interests and has lost touch with the "average Joe's" needs.

Wheelehan said Gephardthas been elected so many times that voters just walk into the voting booth with their eyes closed and pull the lever.

I told her she should use that in a campaign advertisement but add that voters should open their eyes to opportunity and vote for Wheelehan.

She thanked me and as I walked away to talk to another candidate, I smiled with the reminder that the rising tide initiated in 1994 will lift all boats.

Hawkeye Wilson is the political correspondent for the Missourian.

Catholicism reflects Druids

Saint Patrick's Day commemorates driving the "snakes" out of Ireland. "Snake" can refer to a slithering reptile, or a lying sneaky human.

Before Saint Patrick brought in the Catholic religion, the Druid religion reigned supreme. If someone did not know any better, they may have told people the Druid religion was full of snakes.

The Catholic religion offered Heaven in one life of worship.

The Druid religion taught Heaven could be achieved after reincarnating back to Earth, numerous times, until a degree of true knowledge was attained in your eternal, which helps you to be happier.

Between incarnations, we stay in the Astral planes, which is at a higher, unseen frequency and of less dense matter. Heaven is beyond the Astral planes. Nicer people get to live in the better Astral planes.

The Catholic religion told people they could be forgiven for bad deeds by pray-

The Druid religion held that you could make up for past wrongs by doing good deeds and by helping those you have hurt, either now or in a future life; or you may suffer sicknesses in future life incarnations for hurting others during your one eternal

The Druid religion used a tree to explain God to people. We are the acorns and young trees, and God is the oldest, largest, wisest tree of us all, from which we all sprouted. They also taught that nature is a part of our being, our minds extend to nature, nature becomes a part of our mind and you can tune in to and mentally feel the beauty of

With the help of the Roman army, the Ro-

man Catholic religion became more popular, and the truth and knowledge of the Druid religion, and the wise men who were called snakes, left Ireland.

Sue Saintmarie

Flat tax helps renew trust

Dear Editor,

The idea of a flat tax has become the stepping stone to renewing faith and trust in the government. Empowering the individual with a flat tax will mean that less will be expected from the government and more from its citizens.

The idea has received its fair share of criticism. Nearly all of the criticism is coming from tired liberals with deflated arguments who are either too narrow-minded for new ideas or the last defenders of an insensitive government.

'It seems as through they have forgotten the American Dream.

To refresh their memory, it says that every American has the right to achieve, to the best of their ability, the maximum amount of happiness in their life through hard work and employing their talents.

Detriment to spirit, today the tax code has grown so complex that every American works from Jan. 1 to July 10 to just pay the costs of government taxes and regulations.

The average family pays more in taxes than it spends on food, clothing and shelter combined.

Albert Einstein said the problems of today cannot be solved at the same level of thinking on which they were created.

Another perspective to examine is the individualistic and entrepreneur-rich century we are moving into will not be contained by the tax code of the 20th century.

On another level, if access to capital and credit is available for low-income Americans, the next century will launch a new generation of entrepreneurship.

Investment and success will be sought instead of tax loopholes and evasion.

The United States is preparing to enter a century of boundless opportunity, and by scrapping a tax system and starting over, we will set the true spirit of America free and renew the American Dream for everyone in the 21st century.

We appreciate all

Doug Wilson vice president of College Republicans

the letters we have received, but please limit your letters to 200 WORDS because of space constraints. We have the right to refuse and to edit letters Letters must be signed. and include the author's name address and day: and night home numbers for verification purposes. Send letters to Wells Hall #8 o by E-mail at 0500214

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Community Turn

Education reforms takes time, care

In 1983, the federal government published "A Nation at Risk." In the decade since the scramble that followed the publication of that reform document, schools have been trying to play "catch up to the times" with respect to meeting public expectations for the nation's schools. What has been the main thrust of the reform movement, and how have reforms improved student achievement? The nagging reality is that despite "A Nation at Risk" and the hundreds of reports which have followed, the perception persists that our basic educational system remains part of the same infrastructure that was formed during the agricultural and industrial ages. Has the demand for systemic educational change fallen on deaf ears? Are the polls right? Is there lack of results to-date that will convince a skeptical public that indeed schools are changing for the better?

What has been done about our current educational system? In retrospect, changing America's schools was and continues to be one of the toughest challenges this country has accepted. Like other social reform movements, it turns out that retooling America's schools is a long-term project. Be assured, however, shift is happening. Surveys of federal, state and local educational reform initiatives show telltale signs that the seeds of change have been planted. These seeds include hundreds of legislative, policy and structural changes impacting all levels of educational services. Here are 10 reform initiatives that are targeted directly to improve student achievement.

•Mission Statements and Goals: These enable parents, students and staff to see the direction that a school and school district have



RON LANDHERR

Initiatives aim to improve student achievement, while schools continue to advance

set for themselves and their students.

 Action and Improvement Plans: These detail the specific course of action that a school or district will take to implement changes. They usually include time lines and evaluative criteria.

•Performance Standards: These outline what all students should know and be able to do upon graduation from high school. Standards provide the foundation for curriculum development and higher student performance standards.

•Curriculum Frameworks: These will articulate the specific content standards for key subject areas that are addressed in the Common Core of Learning.

•Site-Based Management: This initiative places the responsibility for improvements in the hands of those at the school itself principals, teachers, parents and students working together usually through a committee to manage the school improvement process.

• Teach Prep/School-to Work: This teaches students and young adults to learn about themselves, to have a sense of the world of work and to set tentative, well-informed life and work

•Competency Testing: This means regular and on-going assessments to determine the acceptable level of student achievement. These testing proposals usually include alternative assessments that capture the strengths of all students.

•Safe School Programs: These include initiatives to root out violent, disruptive and intolerant influences inside school buildings that impact success in our schools.

 Comparative School/district Profiles: This data helps define the structure and content of school/district information that will maximize the ability of citizens to make meaningful comparisons among schools and programs.

•Block Scheduling: In a school that uses a block schedule, time is a resource that permits greater student learning, laboratory work, and student-directed interactive activities.

A final note: Looking back on a decade of reform, it is painfully clear that transforming education in America requires more than a quick fix. There is no one solution for every school's problems or needs. Only by consistent and caring teamwork among legislators, educators, parents and an enlightened citizenry will education reform be anything more than promising words in a law book.

Ron Landherr is the Maryville High School



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Campus **Turn**

Fitness Center fails to satisfy student

I thought about writing the University administrators on a Culture of Quality card, but I decided that instead of my complaint getting lost in the shuffle I would make sure my criticisms were heard.

I want to say how unimpressed I am with the supposedly remodeled Fitness Center. For a facility recently refurbished, I believe it is definitely not worth the money we pay for it. In fact, I don't see why students or faculty should have to contribute their earnings to a gym that has poor equipment. For example, only four . "old" aerodyne bicycles are available, two of which are distinguished by a piece of white paper that says, "bike broken, please do not use."

Give me a break. Along those same lines, the eight Schwinn DX900 bikes leave a lot to be desired as well. The essential pedals are hanging on by a thread on a few of them. Between these two bicycle models, I haven't found one that provides the luxury of a working timer.

My most profound complaint remains, only leading me toward frustration and toward the thought of no longer signing up for this so-called "Fitness Center." I remains disappointed in the small amount of sufficient equipment that is provided. Aside from the crappy bikes discussed formerly, I find the three steppers and one "lonely" recumbent bicycle do provide a satisfactory workout.

By my expectations still remain unsettled because in purchasing a pass for \$30 for one semester, I expected to be able to use the equipment I so desired at least half of the time. I realize that I won't be able to sometimes, but I



KERRIE KELLY

Poor quality equipment, long lines diminish effectiveness of facility

'shouldn't have to wait in line every single day. The main reason I bought a pass was to use the recumbent bicycle. I am disgusted because going there early between classes, I often have to wait far too long. But when three people are waiting to use it in a row, it's time to rush off to class because by the time your turn rolls around, your available hour is gone. In fact, I've only been able to use it "maybe" half of the time since I started using the facility in January. Because of this, I've been spending most of my time working out at home or at the "free" Recreation Center. As for the weights, I believe they remain satisfactory, but other schools' gyms I've seem surpass the quality of ours.

For example, those in charge should check out William Jewell College's center.

That fitness center puts ours to shame in so

many ways I can't list and students there DO NOT pay a fee; if they do, it's included in their tuition.

Competing with the sole recumbent for example, Jewell provides not one, but nine. Also, they have five steppers, three of which are new. In addition, their aerodynes are brand new, and the timers DO work.

For those in charge, if you care about the reputation of the supposedly remodeled Fitness Center, please do yourselves, the school and students, a favor: Use our money and do something. If the quality of this center does not improve, I will not waste my time or money to use the facility again. I know other people feel the same way. In fact, that's why some people choose not to spend their money on it.

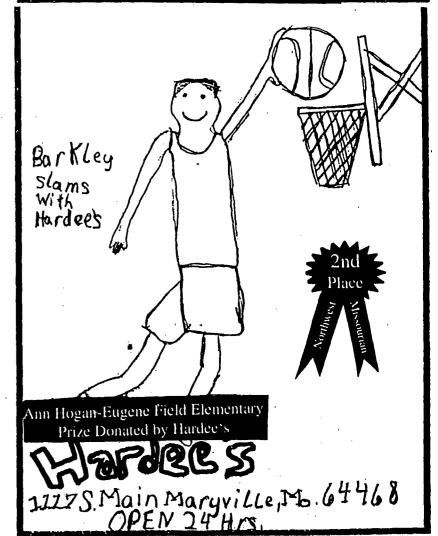
So, I'd like to know where our money goes. If it's sitting in a box, take it out and use it because I haven't seen where the funding has gone.

One thing I do know is, if I were in charge, I'd wipe out those old, useless bikes and replace them with more recumbents, more steppers and weights. That's what most people I've talked to use anyway.

So, if you want the students to really support the school efforts for making Northwest a truly respectable place, the fitness center is one place to start. Supposedly meaning a great deal to University President Dean Hubbard and administrators, the "Focus on Quality" is one of the school's main goals. Well, prove it.

Kerrie Kelly is a journalism major at Northwest.





YoursTurn

What do you think about Maryville High School trying to build a new soccer program?



Levi Wyant agriculture business major

Elizablian Sala "I think it would be a good idea. A new sport is something where kids can get entertained....if they enjoy it, it might as well give them the opportunity."



Jennifer Wehrspann admissions PROBREMEN.

"I think it's great. It can give kids more options."



Karen Long resident **ELECTRICALISM**

"My son loves soccer; it's a lot of kicks, it's a great sport."



Judy Parietti farmer BETTER

"It's OK for them to get into another athletic program, as long as they keep their grades up."



Kelly Begley lumberyard employee

"I think it's a good sport because it's for girls and boys and it's just real athletic, good for stamina."



Cathy Barr travel agent AND THE PROPERTY

"I think it's a good idea to have both boty and girls get involved in soccer because their doing at it at such a young age it's a shame toohave it end once they get to high school."

Thursday, Feb. 29

Noon - Baseball vs. St. Cloud State University at Bearcat Field 2 p.m. - Softball vs. South Dakota State University at Beal

7 p.m. - Dr. Julia Hare in the Union Ballroom

7:30 p.m. - "Tooth of Crime" in the Charles Johnson Theater

Friday, March 1

Last date to drop semester

Softball vs. University of Central Oklahoma in Oklahoma City

March 2-9

Spring Break

Sunday, March 10

1:30 p.m. - Baseball vs. University of Nebraska-Lincoln at **Bearcat Field**

Monday, March 11

7:30 p.m. - Mike Rayburn in concert in the Ballroom

7:30 p.m. - Molly Ivins at the Mary Linn Performing Arts Cen-

Tuesday, March 12

7 p.m. - Band Invitational in the

Wednesday, March 13

Last day to enroll/add a second block class

10 a.m. - Board of Regents meeting 1 p.m. - Baseball vs. Nebraska

Wesleyan at Bearcat Field 2 p.m. - Women's tennis at Em-

poria State University 7:30 p.m. - Robert Kennedy Jr.

in the Mary Linn

Thursday, March 14

8:15 a.m. - CLEP, GED and MAT tests in 120 Wells Hall 7 p.m. - "Waiting to Exhale" in

the Mary Linn 7 p.m. - Band Invitational in the

9 p.m. - "Waiting to Exhale" in the Mary Linn

Have a safe spring break.

Team updates faculty on EC+

CYNTHIA HANSEN

MISSOURIAN STAFF

The EC+ strategic planning team presented an open forum to update both faculty and students on the program and to hear their concerns.

The one area repeatedly asked not there will be enough interest to aspects. move forward.

Tim Gilmour, vice president for runs on a 10 megabyte hub center. Academic Affairs, assured the crowd that interest wouldn't be the problem, rector of computing services, put in but too much interest might.

the capacity for interest, such as adding more classrooms," Gilmour said. "It would also be providing sufficient supply to meet the demand."

sor of music, reassured the crowd on said. this same issue with alternate plans if either too many or not enough students were to participate.

"If we fill the classrooms up, then don't have enough students involved, we'll change the section to a non EC+ class."

Laugh. Go ahead. Laugh.

Can't do it on demand? Why not?

And by the way, what exactly is

Robert Provine, University of

laughter, and when do people laugh?

Maryland Baltimore County profes-

sor and neuroscientist, has answers

to these questions. For Provine,

laughter," Provine said. "Everyone

laughs the same way; Chopping up

breath into little 15th of a second

blasts, and it reoccurs regularly. Some

vowel-like sounds change, but it's

basically these little pulses of sound."

had his students hit the streets.

To conduct his research, Provine

The goal: to eavesdrop on anony-

"First we analyze the sounds of

laughter is no joke: it's a science.

Professor treats

Schultz had a couple more ideas on what would help. One would be to closely monitor registration and the other would be to possibly run a block registration earlier in the summer for freshmen to see their interest in the program.

There was one major update inabout in the program was whether or cluded in the forum—the technical

Currently, the school's system

In September, Jon Rickman, dithe order for the equipment to up-"The problem would be meeting grade that system to a 100 megabyte hub center to serve eight buildings. This order came in last week.

'We are expecting to install this equipment this coming Saturday, Patricia Schultz, associate profes- Sunday and Monday," Rickman

One issue covered was the possibilities of classes for students to take concerning the program.

"We will have the accommodawe'll add more," Schultz said. "If we tions for students with plenty of choices," Shultz said. "If they take three classes, we can accommodate 900 students."

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Story Written by Colleen DeBaise

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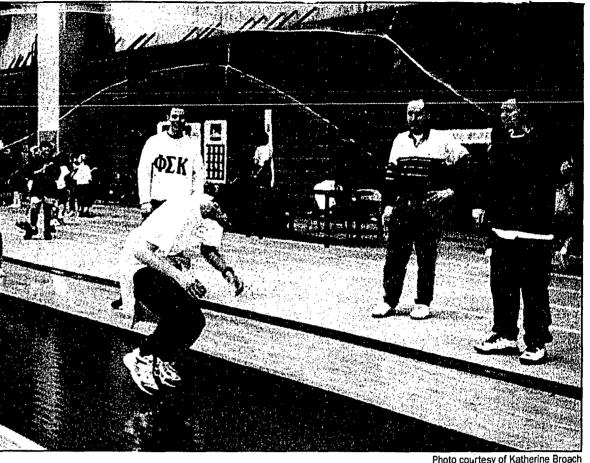
Students took notes on more than

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notice gender difference?

does after a joke or story.

Jump for heart



Jumpin for joy. Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity members "Jump Rope for Heart" Saturday, Feb. 24 as an American Heart Month activity. "Jump Rope for Heart" raises funds for research and education by the American Heart Association and is one of the key charities the Phi Sigs participate in.

Horace Mann receives grant School hopes money will help improve its overall curricula laughter seriously They are school readiness, school

JULIET MARTIN MISSOURIAN STAFF

Students of Horace Mann Elementary School at Northwest will soon experience an increase in technology and program improvements.

The school recently received an educational grant under the Goals 2000: Educate America Act.

A group of eight school districts along with Horace Mann received the grant from the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Educa-

Smaller districts, such as Horace Mann, will receive \$6,000. Larger districts will receive \$12,000.

The money will be used to find ways to improve student achievement in reading and math by using technology. Goals 2000 uses eight national edu-

completion, student achievement and citizenship, mathematics and science, adult literacy and lifelong learning, safe disciplined and alcohol-drug free schools, teacher education and professional development and parental education.

Horace Mann will be working with the school districts to look at past student achievement where areas of improvement are needed.

They will also work to design a new program for kindergarten through sixth grade next year.

Arnold Lindaman, director of Horace Mann and co-author of the grant, said it will help improve educational opportunities.

"It will give us \$2,000 to spend on software and provide us money for stipends for teachers to work on curriculum updating in reading, math and districts," he said.

and increasing technology," he said. Of the 535 school districts that ap-

plied for the grant, 185 received the money. The grant could be applied for individually or in group form. The eight other schools making up

the consortium are Breckenridge, Gallatin, Gentry County, King City, Maryville, Osborn, Pattonsburg and South Nodaway in Barnard. Lindaman said the grant gives

Horace Mann the opportunity to work with other schools.

"We can cooperate with schools around us," Lindaman said.

Lindaman also said it is new that a grant will allow Horace Mann teachers to work with other teachers in other schools across the northwest

"This is the first time a grant will have us working with other teachers

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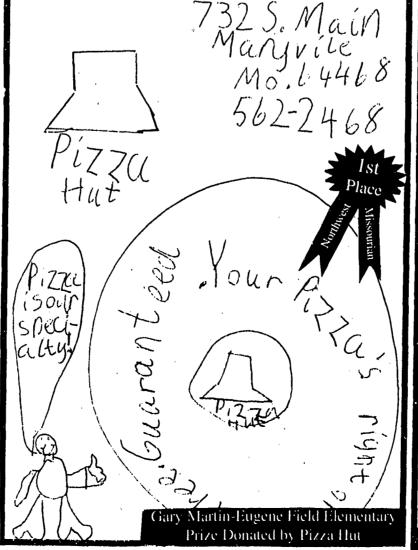
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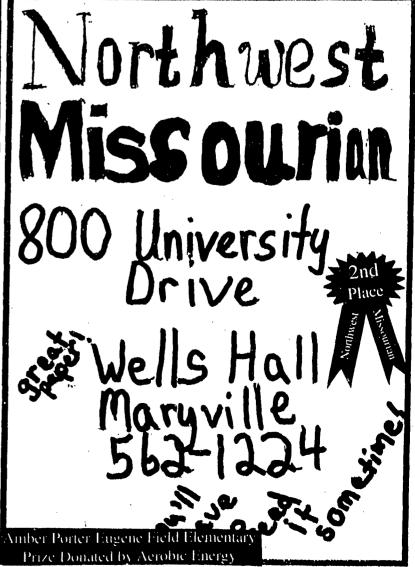


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CAMPUS NEWS

Graduates' gift honors victims

Graduating seniors plan to raise money for water pavilion

JENNIE NELSON CHIEF REPORTER

The 1996 senior class plans to leave a permanent mark on the Northwest campus.

The class is conducting a campaign to build a water pavilion by the northwest corner of Colden Pond to serve as a symbol against violence.

Jim Moore, director of annual giving, said the class expanded on the idea of the 1995 senior class, which wanted to build a memorial to Karen Hawkins, a Northwest student who was murdered last year.

"The class of '95 wanted to make a memorial for Karen at first," Moore said. "But the class of '96 decided to expand on this and make the memorial an issue of why she died."

The senior class is conducting a campaign now until the end of April to raise money to support the project.

The total cost of the project is estimated to be \$25,000-\$35,000. Moore said because of this, most of the funds will have to come from private and institutional support.

Moore also said the class decided to expand on the usual way of getting money for the senior class gift. In previous years, senior class projects have been funded by a \$2

However, this year, the class needed to raise more money.

assessment taken from graduation

"It is quite different this year," Moore said. "The students proposed that we would get donations from the class as well."

Currently, the senior class has set up a group of class agents who will be responsible for asking 10-15 seniors for donations.

The students will not have to pay the money until June 1997.

"Participation is the main goal," Moore said.

Because of the amount of money that needs to be raised, Moore said he is unsure when the pavilion will be constructed.

However, future senior classes may contribute to the program.

"The class decides what it wants to do for its senior gift project" he said.

Moore said he has also met with the class of '97 to see if they would be interested in the pavilion.

Because of the nature of the gift program. Moore said anyone is welcome to contribute to the project.

Professionals offer guidance



JENNIFER STEWART/Chief Photographer partment, Dean Schneider, pharmacy manager, Andy Macias of Midland Engineering and John Christensen of the Missouri State Highway

Michelle Keller of Upward Bound mediates a discussion between area high school students Saturday. As a part of National Trio Day, Upward Bound brought in Ed Higdon of the Missouri Conservation De-

brought in Ed Higdon of the Missouri Conservation De-Patrol, to educate the students on career choices.

In Brief

Alumni Relations plan summer tour

The Northwest office of Alumni Relations has announced the locations of its summer tour for this next

The trip will go through Germany, relations, at ext. 1248.

Austria and Switzerland. It will run from July 21-31.

The total cost of the trip will be \$2,389 per person; a \$250 deposit will save a spot on the trip. Final payment must be made by May 5.

For more information, call Mike Johnson, assistant director of alumni relations, at ext. 1248.

Department receives grant

A grant has been awarded to the Northwest Missouri Mathematics Mentoring Project.

The award, submitted by Cheryl Gregerson Malm, assistant professor of mathematics, and Mark Jorboe, a

teacher at Moberly High School, will amount to \$47,192.

The proposal was submitted to the Cycle XIII Eisenhower Professional Development Program Competition.

The money will go to help middle-level teachers learn to teach math using manipulatives and a

problem solving approach.

Annual walk looks for entrants

A date has been set for the third annual 'Cat Walk at Northwest and that date is Saturday, March 16.

The event is open to students, fac-, t-shirt.

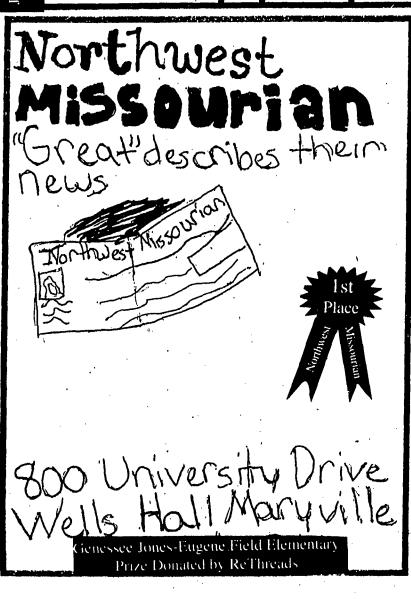
ulty and staff and is a 30 minute walk. The walk will begin at 9:30 a.m. with registration at 9 p.m.

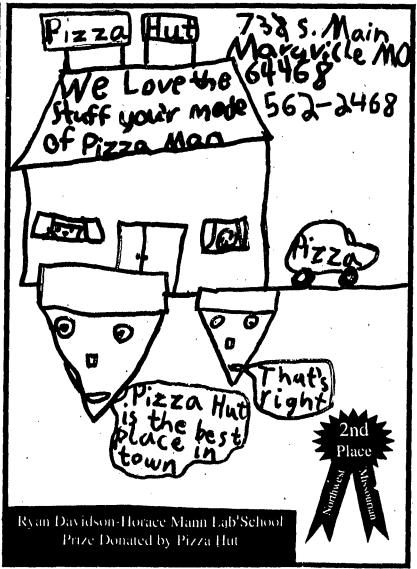
There is an entry requirement of \$2 for the event with the preregistration date set for Friday, March 1.

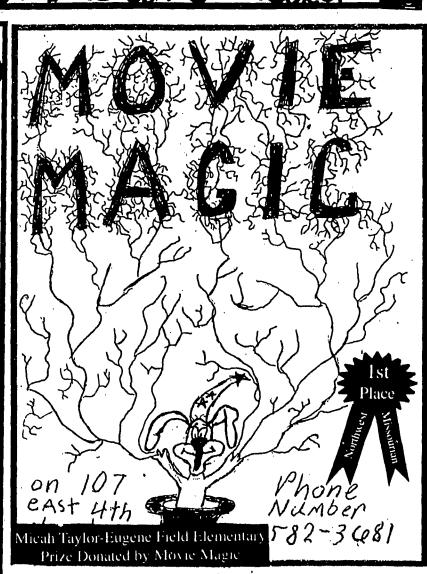
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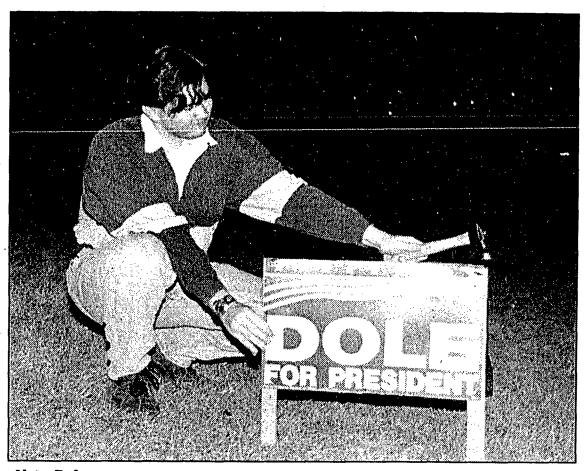








CAMPUS NEWS



Vote Dole Maryville Resident Bill Rice plants a political campaign sign in his yard for Republican presidential candidate Bob Dole. Rice is a political activist for the Republican Party.

'KIDS' impacts viewing audience

CHRIS TRIEBSCH Managing Editor

From the opening moment, which depicted a young boy pressuring a girl into sex, viewers of the film "KIDS" knew they were in for a very candid look at adolescents and their lives in inner-city New York.

The documentary, which was shown in the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center Friday and Saturday, shows a day in the life of several teen-agers and preteenagers. These

and, most of all, sex.

The movie, which was sponsored by Student Senate and Campus Activity Programmers, grossed \$785.50. About 150 people attended the movie the first night and around 130 attended the second night, according to Student Senate numbers.

A discussion was scheduled after the film for both showings. About 60 people attended the first night and nobody attended the second night.

The first night, the discussion was

kids lived for alcohol, drugs, violence led by Carrol Fry, professor of English; David McLaughlin, associate professor of government; Roger Neustadter, associate professor of psychology, sociology and counseling; and Ken Hill, assistant professor of Psychology.

Prior to the showings, many people were nervous about the movie.

However, Senate had a favorable response, and members said they would have no qualms about showing similar movies in the future.

Kennedy leads lectures

VANESSA SKAGGS

MISSOURIAN STAFF

To honor the vision of the man who founded Northwest, the James H. Lemon Founders Lecture Series will begin with speaker Robert F. Kennedy Jr.

The lecture on "Our Environmental Destiny" will start at 7:30 p.m. March 13 in the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center.

. There is no charge for admission and it is open to the public.

Kennedy is a member of the famous political Kennedy clan, being the son of the late Robert Kennedy.

Carrying on the tradition of the Kennedy family, Kennedy worked on several political campaigns and was state coordinator of Sen. Edward Kennedy's (D-Mass.) presidential

campaign in 1980, according to a Clean Water Act. press release.

He also served as assistant district attorney in New York City earlier in

Kennedy is a clinical professor at the Environmental Litigation Clinic at Pac University Law School in New York as well as a supervising attorney for the school.

He is also the chief prosecuting attorney for the Hudson Riverkeeper and senior attorney for the Natural Resources Defense Council.

Winning settlements for the Hudson Riverkeeper as well as arguing cases to expand citizen access to the shoreline has gained Kennedy the reputation as being a resolute de-

He has also sued sewage treatment plants to force compliance for the

As a speaker, Kennedy emphasizes the challenges of global warming and the greenhouse effect.

Beatrice Hansen, Lemon's granddaughter, will help inaugurate the series on March 13.

Hansen has wanted to honor her grandfather for years for his role in establishing Northwest.

. Hansen and Northwest will recognize Lemon with the series through contributions made by Hansen her-

The bill to establish what is now Northwest went to the Missouri House for a final vote on March 13,

Lemon led the fight to pass the bill. The night of the lecture will mark 91 years to the day from when the bill was passed.

Rental still benefits students

JENNIE NELSON

CHIEF REPORTER

One of the more attractive aspects to prospective Northwest students is the promise of not having to buy textbooks. However, once students get into some classes, many discover this promise is not necessarily true.

In some cases, students are also required to pay for textbook rental when not all teachers use the books.

Currently, \$2 per credit hour from tuition fees go toward textbook rental, Denise Ottinger, dean of students, said. Next year, that amount will increase to \$2.25 per credit hour.

"When I first got here it was \$2.25 per credit hour," Ottinger said. "(the

cost) just depends on turnover of tra books) is a necessity for the books. Also, there has been a major increase in paper cost."

Ottinger does not think students have to pay much additional money for their books.

"What our students pay (for books) in four years averages what other students pay one semester," she said. The extra books that students are

required to buy are because of individual teacher's choice, she said. "There may not be textbooks out

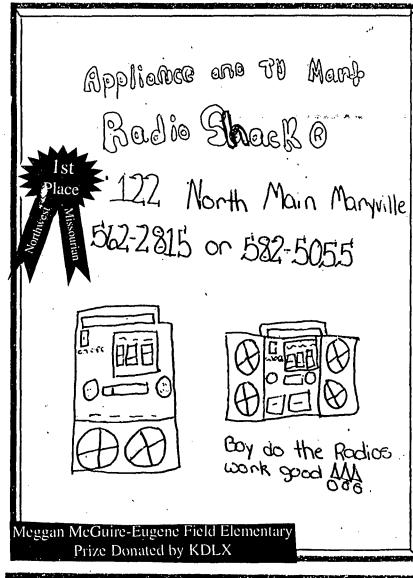
there to cover the material they need," she said. However, some students do not

believe that this is an adequate ex-"I understand that it (ordering ex-

class," Kelly Clark, business management major, said. "But I think that if our tuition is supposed to include textbooks, then it should include all of them. If a teacher needs to order extra books then order them and include them in our tuition costs. But we shouldn't have to pay extra for them."

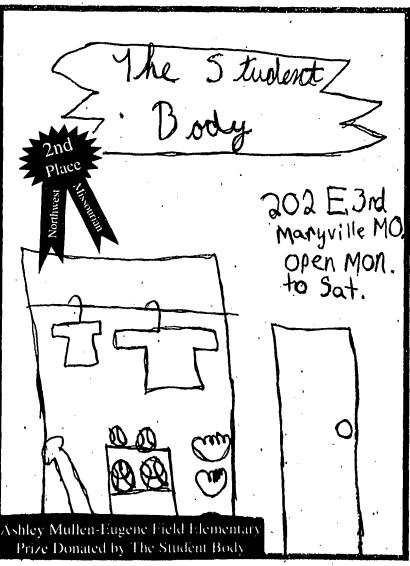
Department heads are responsible for ordering textbooks. Terri Tobin, manager for textbook services, said they order the same book for all of their classes.

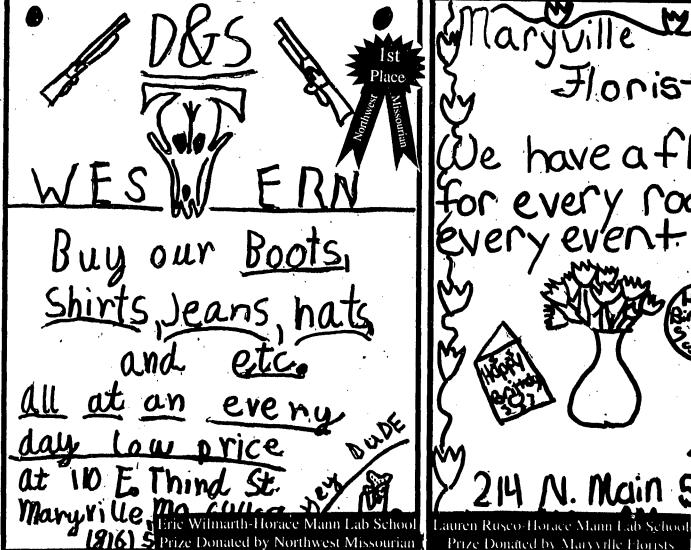
"The department requires us to buy the books," she said." The majority of courses don't require outside books."

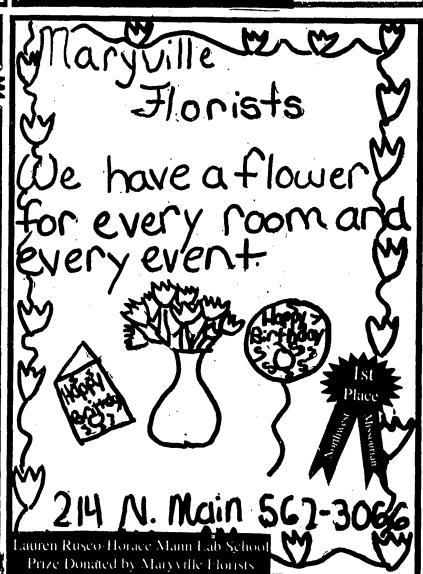












Ivins to speak about politics Culture of Quality series brings satirical columnist

CYNTHIA HANSEN MISSOURIAN STAFF

After illness forced her to postpone in January, columnist Molly Ivins is making her overdue appear-

Ivins, a columnist for the Fort Worth Star-Telegram, will speak at 7:30 p.m. Monday, March 11, in the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center. The Culture of Quality project will sponsor the event, and admission is

After several years of trying to schedule her, Ivins was finally able to concur.

"Every year we look around for. good events to bring to Northwest," Dave Gieseke, director of news and information, said. "With Ivins it has taken several years, but we are glad she's coming."

Because Ivins' columns usually center around politics, Gieseke expects her to cover her own liberal views and Clinton's chances of reelection, among other political areas.

"She should give great insights into the (1996) primary (elections)," Gieseke said.

Gieseke also said even though

Ivins is a political columnist that her appeal could be for anyone.

"She's a nationally syndicated columnist, so she will certainly appeal to the mass communications department," Gieseke said. "She will also appeal to the government department and in general to anybody interested."

Ivins has a long background in journalism beginning her career at the Houston Chronicle then moving on to the Minneapolis Tribune.

She has had a long history of freelance work for such publications as Esquire, The Nation, Atlantic, Harpers, TV Guide. Her main area of expertise is Texas politics.

With something of a broadcasting background, Ivins has done commentaries for "McNeil Lehrer News Hour" and National Public Radio. She has also served on the board of National News for three years.

Ivins is active in the Reporters Committee for the Freedom of the Press and also Amnesty International's Journalism Network.

Before returning to Texas in 1982, Ivins was a political reporter for the New York Times. She was then sent to their Rocky Mountain Bureau and was named editor in chief.



NORTHWEST MISSOURIAN Page A7

Collecting dust. Old light fixtures and rods litter the old second floor lecture hall. Renovations started last week and are moving along as sched-

uled. Second floor in Colden is now designed to be primarily offices, while first and third floors will be renovated classrooms

Renovations to campus buildings underway

continued from page A1

ing, ventilating and air-conditioning, new walls, new cabinets, new carpeting, new vinyl flooring, all the finishes and painting as well as putting in new windows for the whole building."

Sharp said even though they are demolishing the building, they have to wait on renovations to see if money for the construction is approved by the state legislature.

"We were originally going to renovate a floor and a half of Colden and the University had wanted money to finish the rest of second floor and the third floor," Sharp said. "In January Gov. Carnahan, in his

budget, recommended for the money to finish the Colden renovation. Now we're waiting for the project's build-back to see if the legislature will approve or dock Colden out of the budget."

Sharp said if the legislature approves money for Colden, he hopes to complete the entire building by August 1997.

"We're waiting with the construction to see if we can build all of the building at once," Sharp said. "It's easier to build the entire building at one time rather than in two pieces."

However, Sharp said construction may accelerate if the University wishes to move faculty back in to their offices.

Renovated 2nd floor of the **Adminstration Building** 2nd Floor

Author to discuss multiculturalism

JULIET MARTIN

MISSOURIAN STAFF

Northwest will play host to a motivational speaker addressing issues involving multiculturalism.

Julia Hare will give a presentation today addressing topics relevant to African Americans and how everyone can benefit from mulitculturalism.

Hare, an educational psychologist and motivational specialist, has lectured at numerous universities, many on the West Coast.

These schools include the District of Columbia Teachers College, L'angston University, University of

San Francisco, City of San Francisco College and San Francisco State Uni-

Pat Foster-Kamara, director of multicultural affairs, hopes the event will benefit the public.

"She's an excellent speaker, very dynamic," she said.

Foster-Kamara also expects a good turnout.

"We're hoping that we have at

least 200 people," she said. The presentation will take place

at 7 p.m. in the Union Ballroom. The Alliance of Black Collegians

and Office of Multicultural Affairs are sponsoring the event. Admission

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CYNTHIA HANSEN MISSOURIAN STAFF

A national speaker will speak at Northwest on issues concerning how

to run organizations, both Greek and individual, successfully. Mitch Crane, retired judge and current trial attorney, will speak at 7

tonight at the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center. Admission is free and the event is open to the public.

Kent Porterfield, assistant dean of students, said Crane will mainly address Greek organizations, but indi-

Bearcat Village •

Walnut Heights

vidual organizations will also benefit.

"He is a national speaker in the Greek community... and he is coming here for a keynote address on liabilities," Porterfield said.

Some of the issues Crane will address include date and acquaintance rape and how to prevent them, risk management issues, leadership development and recruitment.

"He is coming here to try to plant some seeds for these organizations to think of their best interest before they do things that may hurt them," Porterfield said.

Wabash I

Senate opens positions

CYNTHIA HANSEN

MISSOURIAN STAFF

After having a week off, Student Senate caught up last night with a longer session than usual:

One issue they discussed conrned the current openings on senate. They include an on-campus representative, an off-campus representative, a freshman class representative and a senior class representative.

Student Senate also discussed helping with the research on Northwest's multicultural center. Another issue addressed was

finding a representative to serve on the committee to help retention rates of freshmen. Retention rates are the number of students who stay at Northwest from year to year.

Student Senate decided to port the requirements committee's decision to make an addition in future catalogs. The addition would make not only the general core section require a 2.0 grade point average, but also require the liberal arts section to have a 2.0 G.P.A.

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Men's MIAA\ Tournament

#8 Pittsburg State 101, #1 Northwest 98

#2 Missouri-Rolla 112, #7 Washburn 104

#4 Central Missouri at #2 Missouri-Rolla

#8 Pittsburg State at #3 Missouri-St. Louis

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BEARCAT SPORTS

Gorillas upset No. 1 'Cats **Sportsline** Men's Bearcar Baskerball

Bearcats win 1st MIAA championship since 1987, falter at home in playoffs

COLIN MCDONOUGH CHIEF REPORTER

"Gorillas in the Zone: the Sequel."

Northwest's season came to a crashing halt at the hands of the Pittsburg State University Gorillas, 101-98, in overtime in the first round of the MIAA postseason tournament.

.The Gorillas were led by junior forward Marc Eddington's 31 points, which included 14-14 from the free throw stripe. Eddington had burned the Bearcats just 10 days earlier with 40 points.

The Bearcats controlled much of the game and led by 13 points, 64-51, with 13:55 to play in the game on a dunk by junior guard Fred Stockton.

Pitt State head coach Gene Iba said he knew if his team did not respond when they were down 13, they could have packed it in.

"We had spent a lot of time talking about Northwest and them being the No. 1 seed, playing at their place and in front of their home crowd," he said. "We knew they would open up some leads. When Northwest was up 13, we knew that if we panicked at that point it would have meant the game."

However, the Gorillas caught fire and cut the lead to three, 73-70, with 6:40 to go in regulation time.

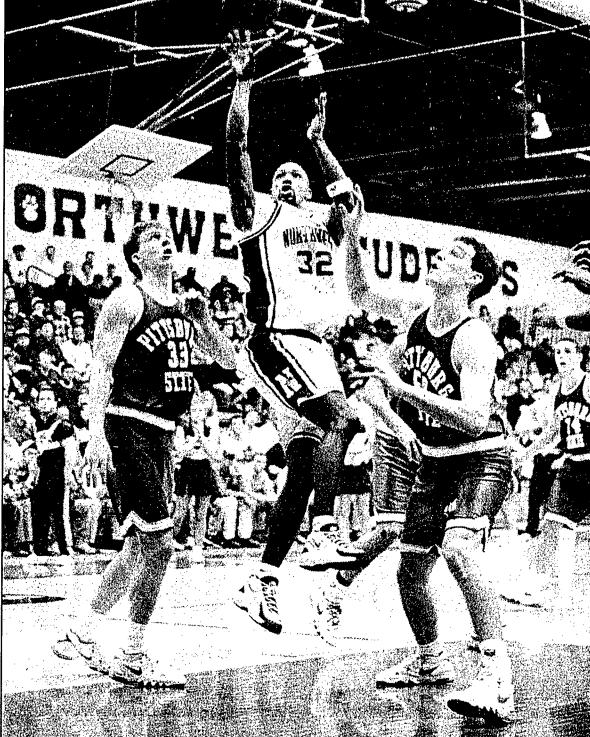
Northwest seemingly took control of the game when it took a 81-71 lead into the final

Once again, Pitt State started to roll and whittled the lead down to one with 24 seconds remaining.

Senior guard Derrek Smith dropped in two clutch free throws to open the lead back up to three, but Eddington drew a three shot foul with 8.5 seconds left in the game and drained all three free throws.

Northwest hurriedly ran the ball up the floor, but Smith's driving layup failed to go through the hoop. After a scramble for the rebound, referee Gene Millentree apparently whistled a foul against senior center Rick Jolley.

After a meeting with the two other officials it was ruled the foul had come after the



defenders. Senior guard **Eddie Jones** slices through the Pittsburg **State University**

Splittin' the

defense in Tuesday night's MIAA quarterfinal playoff at Bearcat Arena. Jones scored a team-high 28 points in the **Bearcats** 101-98 overtime loss to the Gorillas. Northwest won its first conference championship since 1987 when they topped the

JENNIFER STEWART/

University of

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in St. Louis.

Saturday night

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GENE CASSELL/Campus Sports Editor **Head fake.** Junior forward Leigh Rasmussen tries for a deuce in Monday night's game against Central Missouri State University. Rasmussen had eight points in the 'Cats' 91-67 loss to the top-seeded Jennies.

Jennies topple women cagers

Northwest loses in quarterfinals of MIAA tourney against CMSU

> **CHRIS GEINOSKY** Missourian Staff

Northwest made its first postseason appearance since the

1992-93 campaign and, simply put, were out-matched by 15th-ranked Central Missouri State University. CMSU defended their home court Monday with a 91-67

win, ending the Bearcats' season with a 14-13 record. With a victory at the University of Missouri-St. Louis

and an Emporia State University loss Saturday night, the 'Cats qualified for the eighth and final playoff position. "It was our goal to make the playoffs all year," sopho-

more forward Annie Coy said. "We really looked forward to the tournament, and obviously, we wanted to go farther."

Both teams traded buckets throughout the first half of play, and Northwest trailed by only two with less than five minutes remaining in the half.

After a timeout, the Jennies went on an 18-6 run in the final five minutes to give them a 45-31 halftime advantage.

"We just lost our concentration," Wayne Winstead, women's head coach, said. "We knew there was no time to let down, and that hurt us a lot."

the Cats never gave up in the second half, but CMSU was able to put the game away on the strength of 78 percent free throw shooting.

Northwest committed a total of 33 personal fouls, and CMSU made the most of its opportunities by converting 40-51 free throws.

Poor shooting from the field hindered the Bearcats all night, with 33 percent shooting from the floor.

Even though the Bearcats were forced to make an early exit from the conference tournament this year, Winstead said it was a learning experience for his players.

"It was a good step for us," Winstead said, "Now they know what it feels like to be in the playoffs, and I think it will loosen us up for next year."

Every Northwest player scored a point in the ball game, but junior forward Sandi Ickes was the lone 'Cat to reach double figures.

Ickes poured in 18 points, grabbed five rebounds and made three steals.

Another bright spot in the game for the Bearcats included Pam Cummings' six assists. The junior guard increased her career total to 382 putting her fourth all-time at Northwest.

For two 'Cats, not only their seasons came to an end, but their careers also came to an end.

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PlayerWatch

Carrie Sindelar



GREG DALRYMPLE/Assistant Photography Director.

HOMETOWN: Grand Island, Neb. **YEAR:** Sophomore **MAJOR:** Vocational Home Economics

CAREER STATS: At MIAA Indoor Championships as a freshman, ran to a 1st place finish in the 800 meters and a 4th place finish in the mile At the Outdoor Championships, placed

2nd in the 800 and 6th in the 1,500 **CURRENT STATS:** At MIAA Indoor Championships, she took 1st once again in the 800, provisionally qualifying for nationals

Cheap Seats

Bearcats slip against underrated Pitt State

There is a sports cliché that states something to the effect that you can't beat a good team three times. WRONG!

I hate to tell the powers that be because they are all wrong! You can beat a good team three times.

You can also beat a good team with an unconscious pure shooter, a trio of referees that couldn't tell the difference between (place your own slam here), or a coach with the last name Iba.

The last name says it all: a Northwest icon, a coaching icon, and even though Pittsburg State University's coach, Gene, is only a nephew of the great Henry (Hank) Iba, the basketball gods still shine brightly on the Iba legacy.

How can a team that goes through the entire season without a home loss drop three in a row — two of those to the same 'team? Answer: Well, to be totally honest-I



GENE CASSELL

NUMBER OF STREET BEFORE DESCRIPTION couldn't tell you, and I don't know if I

would tell you even if I could. The homecourt mystic is a strange thing — once you go on a winning tear like the men's team did this year, and then lose a three-peat of games, it is the first

sign of the apocalypse. I will say this, however, for you people who were setting on the front two rows of the center section down by the Pitt State bench during Tuesday night's game: I

have seen Abraham Lincoln's statue in the Administration Building show more life than you folks.

Have you not watched any games of Division I schools on television? Have you not seen these people wave their arms and scream until their faces are a nice shade of red? C'mon, you all show some life. Not that a small distraction of crowd noise could have affected Marc Eddington (#33 for those who missed his name after scorching the Bearcats for 40 and 31 points in back-to-back games) but it sure couldn't have hurt any.

Speaking of Eddington, did you know that he is a walk-on at Pitt State? Did you know that he also plays baseball? What does this mean? It means that this fellow will be making another appearance at Northwest after his red-shirt season on the baseball team this year, A word of advice

to the Bearcat sluggers — walk him, don't let him swing the bat. But now back to the cagers and their hope of playing any further this season.

With this loss, any chance of a regional bid is almost gone. I would like to see the Bearcats receive one of those invitations to play, but hopefully, it would be away from here. The 'Cats would play better on the road away from any pressure of being expected to win just because the game is played on our court.

Guess everyone will just have to wait and see. Write it down on your calendars now: bid day is Sunday, and then we will see if the 'Cats can put up their shoes away for a while or lace them up again. Only time can tell.

Gene Cassell is the campus sports editor for the Northwest Missourian

BEARCAT SPORTS

Practice makes perfect



GREG DALRYMPLE/Assistant Photography Director

Warmin' up. Bearcat catcher Michelle Hibbs works on blocking drills during practice Wednesday underneath Bearcat Arena. The 'Cats will head for Oklahoma City for a tourney starting March 1.

Sluggers up to bat Saturday

CHRIS GEINOSKY

MISSOURIAN STAFF

Many people are going on vacation over spring break, but it is a different story for the Bearcat sluggers. Northwest will travel to St. Joseph.

Saturday and match up with Wayne State College and Missouri Western State College starting at 11 a.m.

On Sunday, the 'Cats will welcome the same two teams to Maryville to conclude the doubleheader weekend. Action will start at

Northwest will also travel to Southwest Baptist University, Missouri Southern State College and Pittsburg State University over spring break.

The Bearcats' home opener was scheduled for today against St. Cloud State University, but predicted cold weather caused the game to be cancelled Wednesday.

Cold weather usually favors the defense, but Jim Johnson, head baseball coach, said offensive production

should not be a problem for his squad this year.

"We'll be able to score runs and hit the ball well," Johnson said. "Pitching will have to be the real key to the success of the team."

Offensively, the 'Cats do not want to look for the big inning but would rather try to score runs every inning.

With the quickness on this year's team, the Bearcats should have no

problem doing just that.

"Without a doubt, speed is the strongest part of our team — it's our No. 1 asset," Johnson said. "It's almost scary to have this much speed."

Obviously, the team wants to return to the conference tournament this season, and the chances of that are improved because of the new MIAA tournament set-up.

In years past, only two teams from both the North and South divisions qualified for the conference tourna-

Starting this year, eight teams, four teams from each division, will compete in postseason play.

Tracksters finish season at MIAA indoor meet

JIM MILLER

MISSOURIAN STAFF

Injuries, lack of depth and a stronger conference than previous years did not help the Northwest men's and women's indoor track teams' quests for a conference championship last weekend in Warrensburg.

However, both coaches were quite pleased with their teams' perfor-

Head coach Ron DeShon said his women did as well as they could, finishing fourth in the meet.

caliber and aren't at full strength, you're gonna have trouble," DeShon

Sophomore Carrie Sindelar was one of the few bright spots for the women's team. Sindelar placed sixth in the mile, and less than 30 minutes later, won the 800 meters.

"That's almost an impossibility," DeShon said. "It was a very impres-Sindelar said she was pleased with

her efforts in the 800, but said she should have ran the mile better. "I should have been a smarter run-

"When you go into a meet of this ner," Sindelar said. "I should have

gotten out quicker instead of letting everyone else set the pace."

DeShon said despite the tough competition, many of the women did well last weekend.

"All of our girls broke their own personal best times, and everyone we took peaked," he said. "But that wasn't good enough to compete with the champions."

Sindelar will be heading to Ames, Iowa, this weekend to compete in a prenational meet followed by the National Championships in Indianapolis a week later.

The men's team finished seventh

last weekend while the host school CMSU took the title, but that didn't seem to upset head coach Rich Alsup.

"We did about what we expected to do," Alsup said. "We are just a young team needing to get older and

Sophomore Chad Sutton, one of the team members who was expected to do well last weekend, strained his groin at the end of the week, which hampered his performance in the high

Senior Mitch Dosland ended up finishing third in the high jump and fifth in the long jump.

Bearcats lose out in playoffs

MEN

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buzzer, so the game went into overtime.

Eddington said after the referees had decided not to call the foul, it may have ignited the Goril-

"I think that incident triggered some adrenaline,"

Pitt State gained an edge toward the end of the overtime when Jolley picked up his fifth foul, Iba

"Anytime he leaves the lineup I feel good, and I'm glad to see him leave in warmups," Iba said. "He's a really good ball player. He's a load to try to guard on defense.'

Jolley fouled out with :56.6 on the clock and the score tied, 94-94.

Steve Tappmeyer, head men's coach, said this was a key point in the game.

"Rick got four fouls and stopped being aggressive," Tappmeyer said. "When he was gone, we didn't have him as an option late in the game."

Bearcat junior point guard Corey Alexander drained two crucial free throws with 6.8 seconds left in overtime to give the 'Cats their final lead of the game.

Pitt State freshman point guard Oscar Gonzales drove the length of the floor and hit a pullup jumper with 1.5 seconds on the clock to steal the victory from the Bearcats.

The Bearcats played without junior forward Dee Yarbrough, who was suspended for one game due to a violation of team policy, Tappmeyer said. **NORTHWEST 83**

MISSOURI-ST. LOUIS 67

Northwest claimed its first regular season con-

ference title since 1987 with an 83-67 triumph over the University of Missouri-St. Louis Rivermen.

The Bearcats trailed at the halftime break, 34-29, but came out firing in the second half with 60 percent shooting. While the Bearcats seemed to hit every shot, the Rivermen could not find the range and shot just 21 percent in the second half.

Northwest out-

scored UMSL 54-33 in the second half to lay claim to the MIAA crown. Northwest finished in a tie with the University of Missouri-Rolla for first place in the conference. Both teams had identical

12-4 conference records.

Northwest was able to land the No. I seed in the MIAA postseason tournament thanks to its season sweep of the Miners.

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Senior guards Amy Krohn and Julia Oertel played their final collegiate game Monday night.

"This year was the best year of my life, not just in basketball," Krohn said. "I couldn't be happier with the way the season went and my career ended."



It's OK. Junior guard Kelvin Alford consoles junior point guard Corev Alexander after the Bearcats suffered a 101-98 overtime setback at the hands of the **Pittsburg State University Gorillas** in the first round of the MIAA postseason tournament. JENNIFER STEWART/

NORTHWEST 80 MISSOURI-ST. LOUIS 77

A conference road yictory kept slipping through the fingers of Northwest, but the 'Cats finally grabbed hold as tight as they could and pulled themselves right into the postseason tourney.

In a must-win situation Saturday, the Bearcats did just that winning 80-77 over UMSL and qualified for postseason action with an Emporia State loss at Missouri Southern State College.

The road win marked only the second on the season and first in conference play.

Once again Ickes led the 'Cats with a doubledouble scoring 28 points, which tied her careerhigh, and ripping down 10 rebounds.

Off of the bench, Coy poured in nine points on the night while Cummings added eight.

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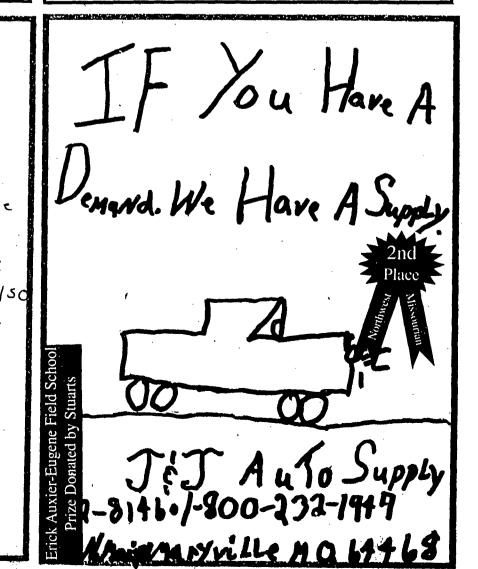
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Bearcat cagers keep up with responsibilities both on and off court supporting teammates, children

The struggle of juggling academics, practice, game pressure and social lives can pull many student-athletes to wits' end, but for two Bearcats athletes, their struggle lies off the court with their children.

Juniors Kelvin Alford and Silas Williams have set themselves away from most Bearcat athletes — they both have children, and they are nontraditional students.

Williams, 26, said time management is really hard, between school and his wife, Stacy; 2-year-old daughter, Sierra; and 5-month-old

"It's tough, real tough; you have three things to balance: first you have to maintain grades, go to practice then come home," Williams said. "It's hard to maintain."

Alford has a different arrangement than Williams: His 9-year-old daughter, Erica, is in Nashville under care with Kelvin's mother, Hattie McGowan.

"I miss her a lot," Alford said, "The traveling and being 13 hours from home is nerve-wracking."

Kelvin's mother said her duties

INDIRA EDWARDS/Missourian Staff

Good night, sweet heart. Silas Williams takes time to tuck his daughter into bed. Williams said he always tells his daughter "sweet dreams" and "Mommy and Daddy love you."

can be cumbersome at times, but she wishes her son the best.

"It's fine that he's up there," McGowan said. "We all are glad he is pursing his dream."

a hard transition for Kelvin to adjust to being so far away from his daugh-

"He has never been away from home, though he seems to be doing OK," McGowan said.

Alford, who recently eclipsed 30, hasn't seen his daughter since late last year, but he said he keeps her and his mother in his thoughts constantly.

"I think about them mostly after the game," Alford said. "I wish they could be there to see me play."

Williams has the advantage of having both of his children living with him and his wife. He said his little girl has an infatuation with Bobby Bearcat and loves to cheer at the games.

"My little girl loves Bobby Bearcat," Williams said. "She has learned some of the cheers, and she jumps up when we make a bucket. She knows when I come on the floor and she yells 'Daddy, Daddy.' My son has been really good - he sits right up and watches the game."

After many games this year, the Bearcats have found themselves deserving of celebration, but broadcasting major Williams said it can sometimes be awkward balancing partying with fathering.

"Sometimes I want to go out with my friends and celebrate after the games," Williams said. "We trust each otherso it's all right, but there are times I just stay at home and bite the bullet."

His wife said he keeps up with his duties off the court well with their two children.

"Sometimes I have to remind him about his chores and things," she said. "But he is real good with the kids; he is a great husband and father."

Alford, who did not play McGowan understands that it was high school basketball, said it was hard for him to adjust at first, but now as a starter, he has adjusted to his role.

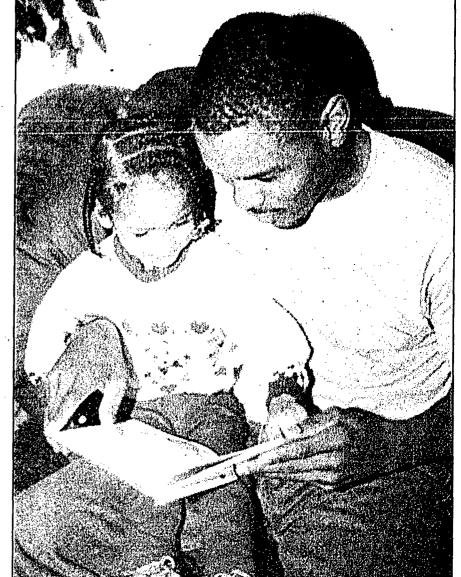
> "At first I thought it would be a disadvantage," Alford said. "Some of those guys are better than I because I have only played organized ball for three years."

Reserve point-guard Williams said he has to watch his step and make sure he is always giving it 100 percent in practice to keep up with players who are mostly five years his junior.

"I have to stay on top of my game 'cause these kids coming up now are doing all of these new moves like the Michael Jordans and the Penny Hardaways," Williams said. "I've got to work extra hard, almost double, to keep my game up."

Alford, an early childhood development major, said he has tried to use his wisdom of the game and life to help the team succeed.

"I feel like a father figure," Alford said. "I try to keep the team together to be like a family."



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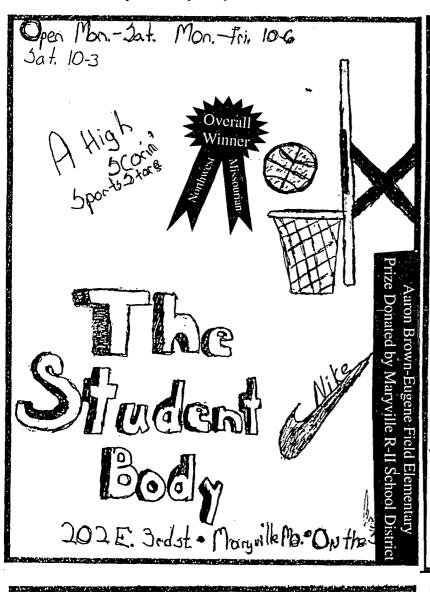
Anyone for a bedtime story? Before putting her to bed, Silas Williams reads a bedtime story to his daughter Sierra. At basketball games, Sierra loves to watch Bobby Bearcat and to watch her dad go out on the floor.

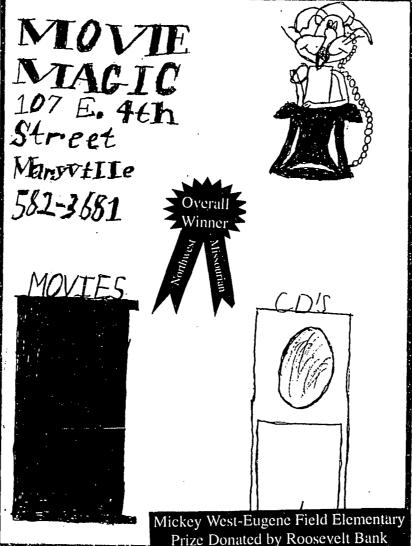
Phil Simpson, 19-year-old redshirt freshman, said dealing with the age gap does not affect the team or the friendships of the other players.

"I look at them as just one of the guys," Simpson said. "It's easy to relate — we all have a lot in common."

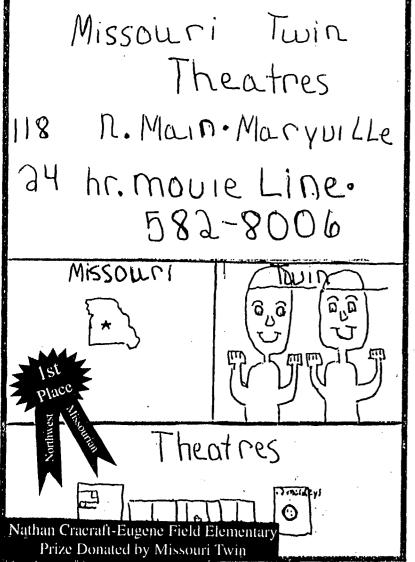
Though these Bearcats are aged and are full of wisdom, they definitely want it to be known that they are not through with basketball. Both have one remaining year of eligibility left.

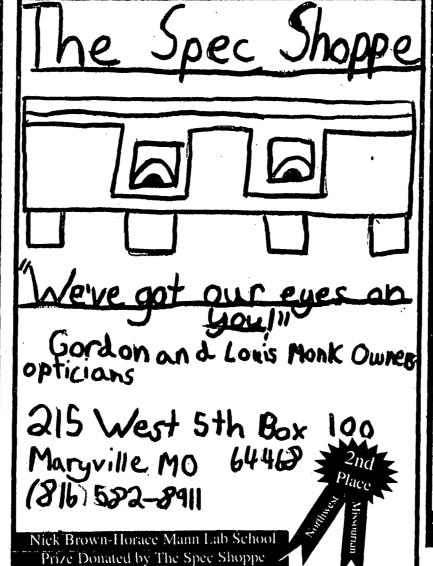
"I've got a lot of basketball left in me," Williams said.

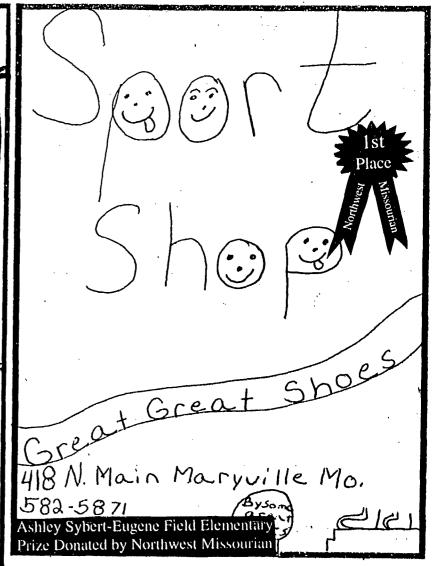












SPRING BREAK



Work, study keep some students in Maryville during break

By Susan Porterfield Assistant Features Editor and Kerry O'Keefe

Missourian Staff

While many students pack for their trips to sunny places over spring break, others settle in for a week's stay in Maryville.

Among those students who will be staying in Maryville over spring break is Mike Mohrhauser.

Mohrhauser, a geography major, is scheduled to work at Kentucky Fried Chicken during spring break.

"I don't have any money or anything to do, so I just decided to stay," Mohrhauser said.

When he is not working, Mohrhouser said he will just hang out and study if he gets bored. He also said he may have other entertainment.

"I have a few friends from my hometown that plan to come down and visit me," Mohrhauser said.

As for his housing, Mohrhauser said it will be no problem. He plans to stay in his room at Cook Hall over the break.

"The \$5 a night to stay in the residence hall is not a problem for me,"

If Mohrhauser had the money, he said he would like to spend his break he heard it is a lot of fun.

"I didn't make plans to go anywhere so I will be working on papers room, or write a letter to my parents

"I don't have any

money or

anything to do,

so I just

decided to stay."

Mike Mohrhouser

geography major

and getting caught up on homework," Baker said.

Baker does not think that taking a trip over spring break is really a big deal, and she traveled earlier.

"I went to Chicago earlier this semester and I don't think I need to travel again this break," she said.

For her free time over the break, Baker has made no here to hang around with over plans, and she said none of her friends will be in town.

"I'm going to do absolutely nothing," she said. "I'm just going to take a break from schoolwork."

Another student, Yukiko Tani, has made arrangements to stay in Maryville for the break.

Tani chose to stay because she said she is very busy with schoolwork.

"I have a bunch of tests and papers to work on that are due when I

at South Padre Island, Texas. He said get back," Tani said. "And I just want he would choose the island because to get ahead for some of my classes."

Although she said she will not Sociology major Kelly Baker also have much free time over spring plans to spend her spring break in the break, Tani plans to relax when she is not busy studying.

"I'm going to sleep, clean my

if I get a chance to relax," she said. spring For breaks of the past, Tani has gone to

Canada, Chicago, and she even went skiing once in Colorado.

Tani said she really did not want to stay in Maryville, but she was too busy to go on a trip.

"It's boring here because no one is breaks," she said.

As for what students who stay in the 'Ville can do over the break, hanging out at one of the bars will not be a possible source of entertainment.

Outback employee Kerry Wells said the bar will be closed Monday through Thursday.

Although the Outback will be closed, most of the other businesses will be open for those students who chose to stay in town for break.

What will spring break be like next year with the new calendar?

Information compiled by Jeni Klamm, Missourian Staff



"I'm glad it's going to be later next year so it can be warmer. This year my friends and I have to go to the Mall of America.

"The delay in spring

break is a wise choice

because the weather

will be better and

friends will be able to be

on bread at the same

time."

Katle Foy





"Warmer weather makes the whole point of spring break better. If it's later, it will hopefully be warmer."

"I'm not going on

break because a lot of

my friends aren't

able to go at the same

time because they are

at other universities."

Amy Duden



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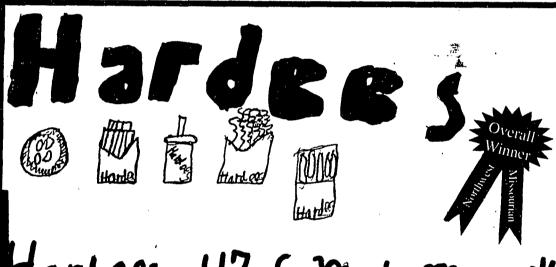
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"A later spring break would include other schools, which would make going to specific spring break locations better."



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The Stroller

Spring break waits for Your Man

Wouldn't it be nice if life was like a beer commercial?

Take spring break — those words automatically conjure up visions of scantily clad babes lounging in the hot sun, long games of beach volleyball, and the MTV beach house and its endless parade of top 40 artists crooning to the sickeningly cute, high-skin-cancer-risk group assembled at sunset on the beach.

No one will ever make a beer commercial based on Your Man's spring break, but they should. The kinds of spring breaks I have drive people to drink. I have to admit, sneaking one of Dad's beers and frantically chomping Big Red to disguise the breath, although fun in junior high, just isn't half as cool as playing golf in the Rockies.

My spring break plans are more reminiscent of what happens after the beer commercial ends. People are sick. There's some recycling going on. The babes all leave with rich guys. Somehow, the Swedish Bikini Team never



THE STROLLER

shows up, at least not while I'm conscious. I don't wake up to the strands of hip music, but rather my mother pretending she's a drill sergeant for the Marines.

Your Man's big plans this year include heading back to his old high school. Yes, I know, this is a classic sign of being a loser, but what can I say?

I'll be watching siblings in basketball games and hanging out in the bleachers — the same bleachers I dreaded while in high school. But now I'm "an adult" (or at least that's what the

young whippersnappers call me), so I have to sit with the old people instead of with the kids. If you want the truth, I do this 'cause I didn't have any friends while actually attending the school and I

Anyway, so there I'll be. Cheering on the team and hiding my face from the teachers I'd rather forget. Oh yeah, and probably mocking the cheerleaders. Somehow when there's only a few hundred kids in the whole school, the cheering babes just aren't like the ones you see on televi-

I'll also be catching up on laundry (but we've already discussed that little problem) and probably stealing a lot of food stuffs from the parental

If my vacations were commercials, they'd be selling something like Valium. It'll ease the pain and put you to sleep.

The Stroller has been a tradition at Northwest

Weekly Horoscopes

Weekty Overview: Energetic Mars in favorable aspect to Sun/Jupiter indicates many will take advantage of a spurt of activity which is likely to manifest in work affairs. Good Mercury/Venus aspects bring opportunities to benefit from ideas. Full Moon Tuesday brings some answers.

July 24 - Aug. 23

Aug. 24 - Sept. 23

Sept. 24 - Oct. 23

This Week in the Stars by Larry White for March 3-9

recognition are likely for Leos who have done

Your sign plays host to Full Moon. Endings

carry seeds of new beginnings. Success is

in your stars. With optimism, all things are

Move with the winds of change. They appear

to be moving in directions that are beneficial.

Put out a "Don't disturb" sign and take time

LUCKY NUMBERS: 12-41-27-40-5-38

LUCKY NUMBERS: 15-3-4-30-25-8

their homework.

for reflection.

VIRGO

March 21 - April 20 LEO Changing circumstances should work in your Money sector plays host to Full Moon. News could bring good tidings. Rewards and favor. Look forward to new doors of opportunity that should open up for you in the months ahead. Luck is on your side. LUCKY NUMBERS: 14-13-32-34-28-27

TAURUS April 21 - May 21 Tuesday's Full Moon focuses on romance, talent and speculation. Old ideas given a new twist can bring you to the attention of the right people. LUCKY NUMBERS: 29-25-28-2-22-37

GEMINI May 22 - June 21 Full Moon favors home front. What appears to be a great idea could turn out to be a home-based money-maker. Nice surprises on

CANCER

Our destinies are often interlocked with others. Someone nearby might be just the connecting link you need. Adapt yourself to the rhythms of change. LUCKY NUMBERS: 13-25-12-26-42-40

LUCKY NUMBERS: 7-40-27-26-20-16 June 22 - July 23 SCORPIO

LUCKY NUMBERS: 33-15-10-30-38-31 Oct. 24 - Nov. 22 Hopes and wishes should be on their way to fulfillment. Forces that are friendly to your

sunsign should now be steering you toward favorable goals set by destiny.

Nov. 23 - Dec. 21 Career, community and political matters should be pursued in new directions. Ask for favors now. An offer once refused may be renewed with optimism LUCKY NUMBERS: 26-34-10-11-9-6

CAPRICORN Dec. 22- Jan. 20 Determination was a gift given to you at birth. At times, studies of new subjects can further your career. Channels of information are easier to tap into now. LUCKY NUMBERS: 1-17-38-32-37-30

AQUARIUS Jan. 21 - Feb. 19 Joint ventures may be furthered. When talent is combined with OPM (Other People's Money), positive things can begin to take

LUCKY NUMBERS: 14-9-37-2-12-31 Feb. 20 - Mar. 20 PISCES Mutual endeavors, personal or otherwise, show promise for pleasure or profit. Those who have artistic inclinations can accomplish

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16 Breathing sound 17 Of the ear 18 Upper crust 19 French river 20 Tire type

22 Beirut's land 24 Sup 25 Old World finch 26 Regard with suspicion

30 Russian plain 34 Singles 35 Wander 37 Courtroom

drama 38 Convert into leather 39 Continued

stories 41 Age 42 Beginning 44 Against

45 Let it stand 46 Staggered 48 Prank 50 Issued a challenge

52 Make a mistake 53 Light spear 56 Rubber-soled 60 Finished

61 Former senator Kefauver 63 Chinese river 64 Boat structure

65 Set of rooms 66 Ogled 67 Catch sight of 68 Uptight 69 Capitol feature

26 Engine 27 Silly 28 Logic 29 Shore bird

DOWN

1 Scent

6 Kept

8 Name

9 Villainous

pain

2 Short letter

3 Distinct entity

4 Hidden things

5 Human being

7 "-was going..."

expressions

10 One expressing

11 Weather word

13 Auxiliary verb

21 Hearing organ

ship's deck

23 Posts on a

25 Colored, in a

12 In addition

Answers to last week's puzzle

31 Michelangelo statue

32 Peeled 33 Make happy 36 Small rugs

39 Filch 40 One granted permission 43 Along in years 45 Used an

53 Funny story 54 Sts. 55 Gore, e.g. 56 Pairs

57 Knockout 59 Fundamental: abbr. 59 Impolite

49 Exist

51 Follow after

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